



NEWSLETTER

Friday 30th September 2022

Headteacher Message

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you are well. We have enjoyed an excellent week in school.

We welcomed Year 6 pupils and staff from many of our named Partner Primary schools into LDA on Wednesday and we are welcoming in many more next week. The pupils enjoyed taster sessions in subjects such as science and modern languages. Last night we hosted our Year 6 Open Evening and we were delighted to meet with prospective families and to give them the opportunity to experience our warm ethos, high standards and to see learning across subjects in action. We are hosting a further Open Event tomorrow morning (Saturday 1st October 2022 10am-12pm) for Year 6 families who may be considering LDA as a choice for the next stages of their child's education.

I was really pleased to meet with the Chair of the Dean Trust Damian McGann this week and to show him around our school. We visited lessons in mathematics and Spanish and we were both so impressed with the quality of the pupils' responses to the questioning by their teachers.

Finally, me and the Deputy Headteacher Mrs Ellis really enjoyed visiting the new Shakespeare North Playhouse theatre in Prescot on Tuesday to watch a performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream. The theatre is absolutely stunning and I hope we can take as many of our pupils there as possible over the coming months.

With best wishes for the weekend.

V. Gowan

Miss V. Gowan
Headteacher



Victoria Gowan
Headteacher



**Numeracy
puzzle – last
weeks answer**

$$\text{Watermelon} + \text{Lemon} \times \text{Watermelon} =$$

$$5 + 3 \times 15 = 5 + 45 = 50$$

How To Be An Expert

There are two major steps:



Get the information ... read, listen to a teacher, watch a video.

Use the information ... sketch it, think about it, answer questions.

Using it is so important! **Answering questions** helps you organize the ideas in your mind*.

Try to do about 1 hour of practice on your own each day*

Literacy Matters

Angle

Definition:
The space (usually measured in degrees) between two intersecting lines or surfaces at a point where they meet.

Did you know?
Sensually, the word *English* is a corruption of the word *Anglicus*, meaning "language of the Angles". The Angles were people of *Angol*, a region in what is now Scotland, said to be so-called for its hawk-like clutch. The Angles invaded and colonised Britain from the 5th century.



Recommended Video:

The link below will take you to a short video for children explain what inflation is and how it affects our economy.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HGPBTEugNnI>

How To Get New The Ideas Into Your Mind

- 1) Read it
- 2) Think about it
- 3) Read again
- 4) Write it down or sketch it out
- 5) Use it (by answering questions)

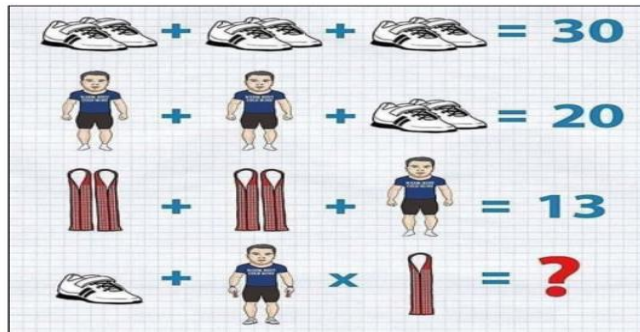
Enrichment Opportunities

- Catch up Maths Club
- The economist Club
- Numeracy Ninja Club
- Engineers of the Future Club
- Mathswatch Club
- Chess Club
- UK MT Challenge Club
- Kahoot Quiz Club
- Year 11 Revision Club
- Aintree Race Course Club
- Countdown Manchester Club
- Lord Derby Outdoor Fun Club
- University days out Club
- Escape Rooms Club
- Maths Feast Club
- F1 trip Club

***See Mrs Speer for details

Being Numeracy Literate- Mathematics is also useful in everyday life:

- Investing money (interest rates, profits, etc)
- Estimating costs
- Shopping (is it really a bargain?)
- Understanding Computers
- Designing rooms and gardens
- Planning trips
- Mathematics also improves our mental ability as it teaches us logical ways of thinking and solving puzzles.



Try this puzzle

Your mission:

1. Find out how much each item is worth?
2. What is the overall answer to the calculation?

Careers- Why Learn Mathematics?

Technology is everywhere around us, and you need mathematics to master it!

In fact most top-paying jobs need good math skills:

- Doctors
- Vets
- Engineers
- Scientists
- Software Developers
- Marketing Analysts
- Financial Officers
- Investment Managers
- and more ...



Mrs Speer
Head of Department



Mr Starkey
Deputy Head of Department



Miss Pope
Assistant Headteacher



Miss Arriens
Leader of Numeracy



Mr Panther
Classroom Teacher with Responsibility



Miss Ashby
Classroom Teacher



Mr Hart
Classroom Teacher With Responsibility



Mrs Capewell
Classroom Teacher



Miss Fowler
Classroom Teacher



Miss Kenworthy
Classroom Teacher



Mrs Thomas
Transition Tutor



Miss Coyle
Classroom Teacher

Bromcom

Bromcom is now live and pupils have been given log ins in school. Parents who haven't received a log in code via email should contact the school reception to provide an email address. Please be aware that all communication will go through the app.

My Child At School

Please ensure that all medical appointments for pupils are arranged outside of school hours. Medical appointments will not be authorised unless a hospital appointment letter has been seen by the Attendance Administrator prior to the appointment date.

Working together to improve school attendance

Guidance for maintained schools, academies, independent schools, and local authorities

Pupil Parliament



Pupil Parliament meetings for this term have now begun. Members of Key Stage 3 and 4 have met over the past week to establish the focus for this half term. One of the main ideas which was raised was to introduce a Golden Ticket which can be used in the LDA Rewards shop. Watch this space!

Study Support Timetable

Y11 Study Support Timetable September – October 2022

w/c		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
26/9	8.10am					
	Lunch	Option Y		Option Y	Hair and Beauty	
	After school 3-3.50pm	STAFF MEETING	English Z / maths V	Performing arts twilight	Science	Hist/Geog/PE
	4pm +				OPEN EVENING	
3/10	8.10am					
	Lunch	Option Y		Option Y	Hair and Beauty	
	After school 3-3.50pm	STAFF MEETING	English V / maths Z	Technology twilight	Science	Hist/Geog/PE
	4pm +					
10/10	8.10am					
	Lunch	Option Y		Option Y	Hair and Beauty	
	After school 3-3.50pm	STAFF MEETING	English Z / maths V	Option D	STAFF MEETING	Hist/Geog/PE
	4pm +					
17/10	8.10am					
	Lunch	Option Y		Option Y	Hair and Beauty	
	After school 3-3.50pm	Science	English V / maths Z	Option C	SCHOOL EVENT	Hist/Geog/PE
	4pm +					

Year 11 pupils can use S26 until 5pm after extra lessons. **Spanish/French will be delivered to small groups – pupils will be told in advance.**

Spanish appointments take place before school, at lunchtime and after school. Some subjects will also offer remote sessions. These times will be shared with pupils and delivered via the Google classroom. They will be advertised by departments. Pupils can add their own breakfast/lunch appointments. The LRC study room is open at lunchtime.

Pupils should attend other subjects if their option is not running on an option night.

HT sessions are extended sessions. Subject staff will inform pupils of the finish time.

Option Y	DIT / Engineering / Child development / Photography / Sports studies.
Option C (double Fri 1 and 2)	Art / single science / Dance / DT / Food / GCSE PE / Health and social care / Music / Statistics / Textiles
Option D (double Mon 5 and 6)	DT / Food / French / Sport studies / Business Studies / Astronomy / Art / Child development / Drama / Computer science

After School Sport – Autumn 1

	Activity	Year Group	Venue	Staff	Time
Monday	- Girls only Fitness	7 - 11	Sports Hall	Mr Dickinson	3pm
Tuesday	- Netball	7 - 10	Muga Astro	Mrs Mills	3pm
	- Boys Football	7		Mr Proctor	3pm
	- Table Tennis	8 - 10	Atrium	Mr Dickinson	3pm
Wednesday	- Tramp	7 - 10	Sports Hall	Mrs Molyneux	3pm
	- Boys Football	8 - 10	Astro	Mr Dickinson	3pm
	- Y9 Sport	9	Sports Hall	Mr Dickinson	3pm
				Mrs Blackmore	
Thursday	- Girls only Football	7 - 11	Astro	Mr Dickinson	3pm
Friday	- Dodgeball	7	Sports hall	Mr Dickinson	3pm